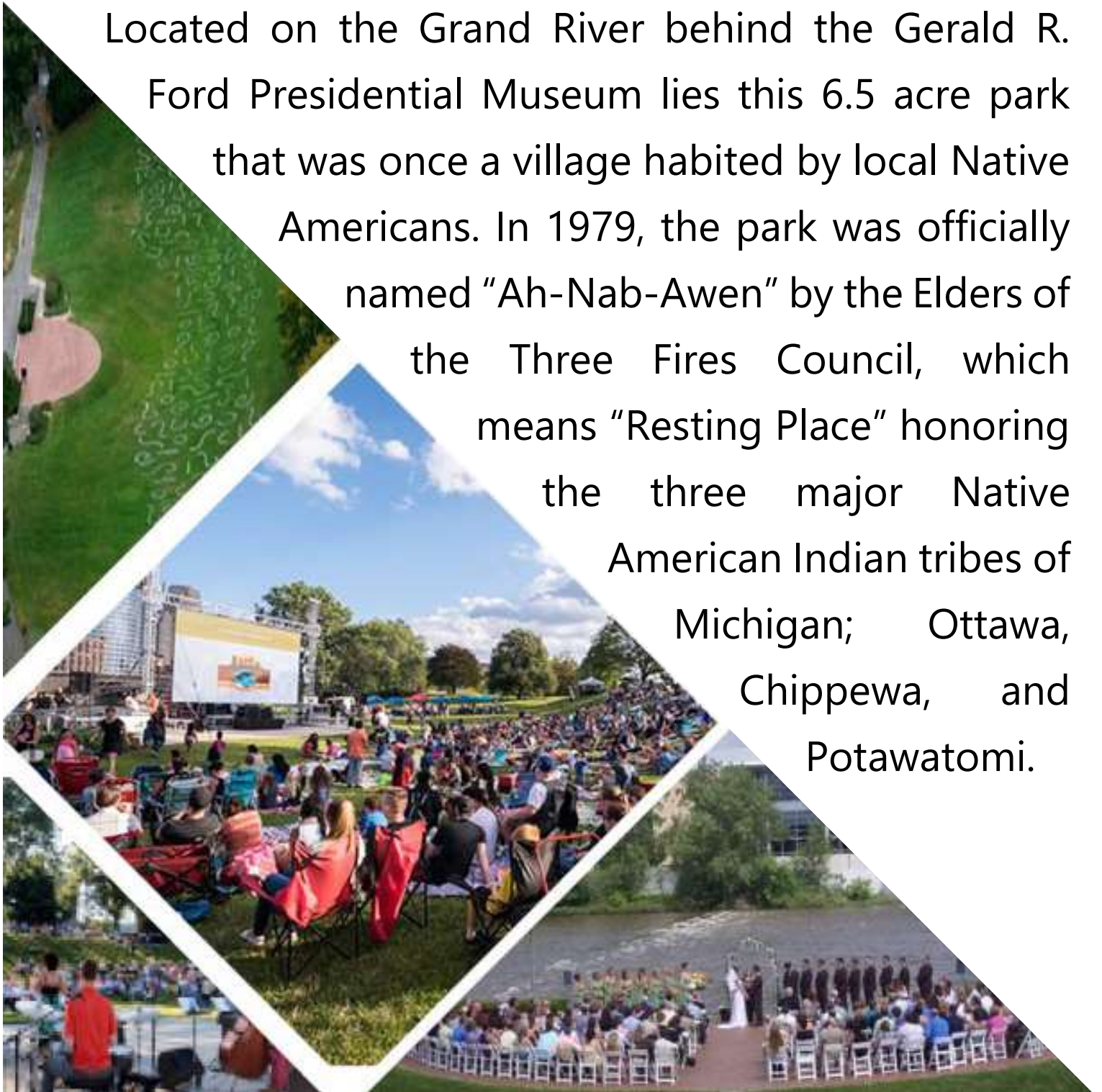




# AH-NAB-AWEN PARK

Located on the Grand River behind the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum lies this 6.5 acre park that was once a village habited by local Native Americans. In 1979, the park was officially named "Ah-Nab-Awen" by the Elders of the Three Fires Council, which means "Resting Place" honoring the three major Native American Indian tribes of Michigan; Ottawa, Chippewa, and Potawatomi.





## RESTRICTIONS & GUIDELINES

- A **site map** must be provided to display the layout of the event
- All **sound** must be conducted below 85 decibels.
- Any **tape, rope, signs, wire**, etc. that have been placed on the ground, buildings, columns, windows, poles, etc. must be completely removed after the event. Additional fees will be charged if items are left.
- Vendors/trucks/tables all must have a **mat** underneath to avoid damages to the grass and pavement and catch grease and liquid spills
- **Staking** is prohibited in the park. Water barrels are recommended.
- All **vehicles**, whether in front of meters or not, must have a permit supplied by parking services. Vehicles without permits may be ticketed. Only vehicles dropping off for set-up/tear down are allowed.
- **Parking** is available on the North end through Ellis Parking or in the DASH Lot under the highway.
- **Water**: There are spigots on the North end of the park as well as near the public bathrooms; a hose will be required for use.
- **Electrical**: Cords are not to be strung across walkways or over mounds for safety reasons. See picture for voltage and locations. (Cam lock cables included).
- It is required that there is a **clean-up plan** established before the event takes place. There will be an extra fee for damages or any necessary clean up provided by the City.

## **SEVERE WEATHER DEFINITION**

Severe weather involves conditions which can pose health or safety risks to employees or to the public involved in program/ event/facility use. Severe weather examples include: Tornado, Severe Thunderstorms, Lightning, High Winds, Extreme Heat, Extreme Cold, Heavy Snow, Freezing Rain, and Blizzards.

## **WATCH VS WARNING**

### **SEVERE WEATHER WATCH**

- High probabilities of severe weather
- Event continues if weather permits

### **SEVERE WEATHER WARNING**

- Event MC must immediately make an announcement instructing attendees to seek shelter
- Event staff and vendors shut down and turn off any gas or electric components

## **SEVERE WEATHER POLICY**

It is important to have a well thought out and coordinated approach for responding, proceeding and dealing with severe weather. The emphasis is to take reasonable steps towards protecting the public, employees, and property during severe weather.

- Designate a person who will maintain the appropriate communication link (radio, phone, etc.).
- Depending on the event, location, crowd and whether the event is yet to begin, just starting or nearly finished, the staff person in charge may delay or cancel event.
- The staff person in charge will make every effort to secure all equipment.
- When the police officers, fire officers, or other officials are available, their decision to delay or cancel an event should be discussed with the Office of Special Events.

\*Refunds will be made at the discretion of the OSE



## **Park Capacity**

**Ah-Nab-Awen Park can hold approximately 12,800 people at one time.**

## **Amenities**

**Restrooms, picnic shelter, electric, water hook up, built in stage, walking path, access to Gillett Bridge, and public parking.**

## **Stage Dimensions**

**The stage is 40 feet deep and 80 feet wide. There are electrical outlets available for use. (See next page)**

## **Site Rental**

**There is a cost to rent Ah-Nab-Awen Park. For a full list of all fees that may apply, please refer to our Planning and Resource Guide at [grandrapidsmi.gov/specialevents](http://grandrapidsmi.gov/specialevents)**



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